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GUATEMALA.

Report from Livingston.

LIVINGSTON, GUATEMALA, *October 26, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report extremely little sickness in this port and vicinity. No death since my last report. We have had delightful weather for a week, the thermometer registering at the highest about 83° F.

The following vessels in port this week :

Date.	Vessel.	Master.	No. of passengers.	Crew.	Destination.
Oct. 23...	Costarican	Kelly.....	1	43	Galveston, Tex.
Oct. 24...	Managua.....	Gundersen..	0	17	Mobile, Ala., via Belize.
Oct. 26...	Breakwater	Rivera.....	3	34	New Orleans via Belize.

Respectfully,

NORWOOD K. VANCE,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

THE SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

HONDURAS.

Report from La Ceiba.

LA CEIBA, HONDURAS, *October 22, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report for the current week a satisfactory condition of public health, both in this port and its environment. A trip to Truxillo, from which I have just returned, shows a like exposition there. There has been 1 death reported here for the week; male adult; cause, phthisis pulmonalis. The weather was fair the earlier part of the week; at present writing, rainy and threatening a storm. Inspection list herewith inclosed.

List of vessels inspected week ended October 21, 1899.—October 18, steamer *Alliance*, Norwegian, Nielson master, crew 17, Charleston, S. C., no passengers.

October 20, steamer *Joe Oteri*, American, New Orleans, Hanteman master, crew 18, no passengers.

Respectfully,

WM. D. HAMILTON,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

THE SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from Puerto Cortez.

PUERTO CORTEZ, HONDURAS, *October 25, 1899.*

SIR: For the past week I have the honor to report a marked increase in number and gravity of malarial fevers, owing doubtless to the "rainy season" which is prevailing with the utmost violence. No deaths, however, have come to my knowledge since the last report, and no suspicion of contagion or infection.

I have certified since last report steamship *Bergen*, Hendrickson, 26 men, Havana, cattle; steamship *Jamaica*, Petersen, 18 crew, Havana,

cattle; steamship *Senior*, Petersen, 19 crew, Havana, cattle; steamship *Uto*, Anderson, 22 crew, 5 passengers, Havana, cattle; steamship *Breakwater*, Rivera, 30 men, 5 passengers, New Orleans, fruit and mail; steamship *Bergerseon*, Bentzen, 15 crew, Mobile, fruit.

Respectfully,

L. A. WAILES, M. D.,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

NICARAGUA.

Report from Bluefields.

BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA, *October 26, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit my weekly report as follows: One steamship, *The Hiram*, for New Orleans, with 7 passengers, has been inspected and cleared. The official records show for the last week 2 deaths in Bluefields, adults, and both of pulmonary tuberculosis. Nothing has occurred to change the usual healthy condition of this port and contiguous country.

Respectfully,

D. W. GOODMAN,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

SANITARY REPORTS FROM OTHER PORTS.

AFRICA.

Recurrence of plague on the French Ivory Coast.

MONROVIA, LIBERIA, *September 16, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit to your excellency the intelligence that I am reliably informed that the bubonic, or similar plague, has recently recurred on the French Ivory Coast, east of Liberia.

The Freetown, Sierra Leone, board of health has recently served notice upon the Liberian authorities that unless they quarantine (fifteen days) against steamers from the Ivory Coast ports that the Freetown board of health would quarantine against steamers from Liberian ports.

I have the honor to be, your obedient servant,

OWEN L. W. SMITH,

Minister Resident and Consul-General.

Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

Disease at Magude declared not plague.

LORENZO MARQUEZ, *September 11, 1899.*

SIR: Referring to my dispatch No. 80 of August 24, 1899, relating to the rumored outbreak of the plague, I now have the honor to advise the Department that the unknown epidemic at Magude has been stamped out.

There are, of course, many people here who still believe that it was the plague, but as they knew absolutely nothing about it, their opinions do not count for much.